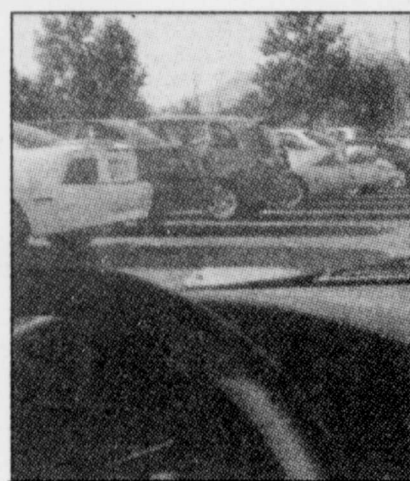


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Labs added before cuts

By Kimberly Thomson
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Wallets are being squeezed all over campus. Not only are students shelling out more money this quarter for tuition, but also, the university is scaling back its expenditures. Despite the drastic drop in statewide funds, the College of Agriculture has managed to keep its head above water and accumulate enough money to create some additions to its departments.

Although all COAG has felt the strain of the tight budget, laying off faculty was not an option. The animal science and food science and nutrition departments were able to keep their entire faculty and even make a few additions including a new biotech faculty member.

"We haven't had to cut any faculty," animal science department Head Andrew Thulin said. "We would have cut very heavily if it weren't for the fee increase."

Thulin is not the only department head that said the college would have been in poorer shape if the students hadn't voted for the fee increase.

"We would have had to cut valuable classes without the student fee increase money," food science and nutrition Department Head Louise Berner said.

Not only were these departments able to retain their faculty and classes but were able to scrape enough money together to make minor curriculum improvements.

"We spent heavily on remodeling laboratories," Thulin said. "I knew the budget cuts would be coming at some point."

Animal science department



COURTESY PHOTO

Animal science senior Ronya Shatila uses a micro-manipulator to perform an embryo biopsy which removes one cell from the embryo. Cal Poly is one of the only schools to offer an embryology lab to undergraduate students.

administrators decided to make the improvements before budget cuts and they had no money left, Thulin said.

The department is especially proud of the embryology lab because Cal Poly is one of the only schools that can offer such cutting-edge

technology for undergraduates to work with.

"We are the only school that I know that lets undergraduates manipulate embryos," Thulin said.

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Harbor Festival: Fun in Morro Bay



MATT WECHTER/MUSTANG DAILY

Thousands of local residents and travelers attended the 22nd Annual Harbor Festival in Morro Bay on Saturday and Sunday. Events included bands, sand sculptures, wine tasting and more.

FUND-RAISER

Volleyball challenge to raise money

► Faculty, staff, students are encouraged to play in event for depression prevention education

By Thomas Atkins
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The sixth annual Mark S. Reuling Memorial Volleyball Challenge will take place this Friday at the ASI Rec Center.

The event is a fund-raiser for depression-prevention education and will last throughout the day. Faculty,

staff and students are encouraged to participate.

"It's a really fun event that has an atmosphere of friendly rivalry and social competition," Assistant Director of Rec Sports Joe Long said. "It's just about having a good time."

Last year, the event brought six to eight student teams and six to eight employee teams, and Bob Negranti, project coordinator of counseling services, is hoping to see more this year.

"It would be great to see more people participate each year," he said.

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FACE OFF

Get to know the candidates

Gray Davis
Birth name: Joseph Graham "Gray" Davis Jr.
Party: Democrat
Birth date: Dec. 26, 1942
Age: 60
Birthplace: New York City
Education: B.A., Stanford University, 1964; J.D., Columbia University Law School, 1967
Family: Wife Sharon Ryer Davis; no children

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Party: Republican
Birth date: July 30, 1947
Age: 56
Birthplace: Thal, Styria, Austria. Became a U.S. citizen in 1983
Education: Graduated from University of Wisconsin-Superior, 1979
Family: Wife, Maria Shriver, daughter of Eunice Kennedy Shriver and Sargent Shriver; children Katherine Eunice, 13, Christina, 12, Patrick, 10, and Christopher, 6

Program offers help for depression

By Thomas Atkins
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly faculty, staff and students will have the opportunity to learn more about depression and to participate in a free, confidential screening test as part of National Depression Screening Day this Thursday.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the University Union Plaza where a booth will offer information about symptoms and treatment of depression as well as a written self-test.

"We feel it's very valuable," said Bob Negranti, projects coordinator for Health and Counseling Services. "We want to get the word out to students and employees that depression is treatable, and we have the resources on campus to help."

National Depression Screening Day, which is held each year during Mental Illness Awareness Week which was developed 12 years ago by Harvard psychiatrist Douglas Jacobs. The day's events were designed to call attention to the illness of depression on a national level, educate the public about its symptoms and effective treatments, offer individuals the opportunity to be screened for depression and connect those in need of treatment to the mental health care system.

Starting with only 90 sites in its first year, the screening day program has grown to reach more than 85,000 people at 3,000 sites nationwide. Cal Poly has been one of the screening site for the last eight years.

"Last year there was a pretty consistent flow of students coming by the

booth for several hours," Negranti said. "The screening itself is very user-friendly."






Student volunteers from the Student Health Advisory Council will be at the booth distributing pamphlets, books and the tests. Those who take the tests have the option to take it to professional counselors on the second floor of the UU who will interpret the results. The meetings are free and completely confidential.

"Based upon their professional judgment the counselor will direct the student what to do next," Negranti said. "They will either tell the student they are fine, or ask them to come back to the Health Center for follow up checkups. However, there is no interpretation of the test unless they

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Local Weather

5-Day Forecast

TODAY	
high: 74° / low 55°	
WEDNESDAY	
high: 74° / low 53°	
THURSDAY	
high: 74° / low 53°	
FRIDAY	
high: 73° / low 51°	
SATURDAY	
high: 75° / low 50°	

Sunrise/Sunset

rises: 7:02 a.m. / sets 6:38 p.m.

Tides

high	9:28 a.m.	4.95 feet
	9:05 p.m.	5.24 feet
low	2:59 a.m.	-0.01 feet
	3:11 p.m.	1.61 feet

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Goleta gets imported sand

Sand from Santa Barbara Harbor is being hauled to Goleta Beach to replenish the eroding county park. The \$2 million project of the Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment has taken 10 years to plan and study.

A barge will transport 75,000 cubic yards of sand. The month-long replenishment operation began Monday.

Winter storms have eliminated sand at Goleta Beach.

"Our hope is that adding significantly to the width of the sand will protect the park from the damage caused by recent winter storms," authority executive director Kevin Ready said.

The project is financed by the California Coastal Conservancy and the State Department of Boating and Waterways. The sand that accumulates in Santa Barbara Harbor has to be dredged to prevent infill.

Sand replenishment projects are also taking place at beaches in Carpinteria, Ventura, Oxnard and Port Hueneme.

— Associated Press

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"These are things that students working on a masters would do."

The students recognize the privileges the department received, Thulin said.

"I see these young people coming in working seven days a week and they never complain," Thulin said. "The technology is there and our students understand that."

However, without more labs they still will not be able to accommodate all the students.

Even though the animal science department spent most of its funds upgrading these labs, 95 percent to 97 percent of the money is tied up in faculty salaries, Thulin said.

The agribusiness department spent a considerable chunk on hiring three new tenure track professors to have enough to teach the necessary classes.

"Our classes were impacted so faculty hiring will facilitate possible earlier graduation for students," Agribusiness Department Chair Kenneth Scott said. The agribusiness department was also able to upgrade computer labs and remodel the market presentation room that Scott said would have been impossible without the fee increase.

"Thank goodness for the college-based fee," Scott said. "There would be blood in this college without it."

The food science and nutrition department used a sizable sum for an infrastructure for a wet chemistry lab. The department is talking with archi-

ects now and making plans for building it, Berner said.

"This is going from just a demonstration to a hands-on environment," Berner said.

The dairy science department was allocated only \$57,000 because they are a very small department but with their fraction they upgraded two classrooms to "smart rooms," bought dairy science software, computers to run that software and refurbished chairs and tables.

"The classrooms are much more effective now," Dairy Science Department Head Les Ferreira said.

Most instructors can now use PowerPoint, enhancing the learning experience for students.

Unfortunately not all these changes are seen as improvements by students. Jaime Woolsey, animal science senior and president of the Cal Poly Veterinary Science Club, said she wishes she had time to take an embryology class in the renovated lab.

"I know that the lab is really nice, but I have not been able to feel any benefits directly," Woolsey said.

She said she wished that some of the money could be allocated to revamping the veterinary clinic because the building is old and hard to keep clean.

Regardless of attempts to keep classes operating with the fee money, signs of budget cuts emerged this summer with the absence of available classes.

DEPRESSION

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talk to a counselor."

Dan Fuselier, a doctoral intern who will be helping at the event, said there is a significant percent of students struggling with depression who come into the Health Center.

"The causes of depression are multiple depending on the person," he said. "It could be heredity or from social and mental stresses. Depending on the type of depression, treatment will be done by medication or by psychosocial treatment."

According to www.nmha.org, clinical depression is a common medical illness that affects more than 19 million American adults each year. One in four women and one in 10 men will experience depression at some point during their lifetime. Because so many people are affected, depression screenings should be a routine part of health-care.

Some key symptoms are persistent

sad or anxious mood, sleeping too little or sleeping too much, reduced appetite and weight loss or increased appetite and weight gain, loss of interest or pleasure in activities once enjoyed, restlessness or irritability, difficulty concentrating, remembering or making decisions, fatigue or loss of energy and thoughts of death or suicide.

However, sometimes people with depression mistakenly believe that the symptoms of depression are a normal part of life, and two thirds of those suffering from the illness do not seek the necessary treatment. If not treated correctly, the results can be disastrous.

But on a brighter note, there is hope, and screenings are the first step in getting help. More than 80 percent of all cases of clinical depression can be effectively treated with medication, psychotherapy or a combination of both. A lot of the time, the solution is simple.

"Because depression is such a mood oriented problem I will often recommend physical activity," Fuselier said.

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"We are hoping more clubs, fraternities and sororities will get involved, as well as faculty and students who aren't in clubs."

"Besides the money being raised by this event, my favorite part is how people get to interact."

Joe Long
assistant
director of
Rec Sports

Sign-ups are at the Rec Center, and the cost is \$60 for a six-member team. Each team will receive a t-shirt with registration. The teams are to be co-ed, and either all students or all faculty and staff; no mixing.

The faculty, staff and student employees will play mid-day with playoffs scheduled for that afternoon, while student teams will participate in the late afternoon with playoffs in the evening.

Long said that the teams will play in a rotation, so by the time it's over most people will have met.

"Besides the money being raised by this event to help others, my favorite part is how people get to interact," said Long. "It is good teambuilding for groups and an ice-breaker for staff

who have never met."

The winners of the event will get a trophy, and all who participated will know that they donated to a worthy cause and have put a smile on the faces of Ed and Pam Reuling, who attend the event each year.

Pam and Ted are the parents of Mark S. Reuling, a 1989 Construction Management alumnus who loved to play volleyball. Yet after battling with depression for some time, Reuling took his own life in 1996.

To honor Reulings memory, his parents created an endowment to fund mental health educational and prevention programs on campus. They eventually, with the help of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (his fraternity), the Student Health Center, and the Student Affairs Division, formed the volleyball challenge in his name.

The first fund-raiser was held on National Depression Screening Day on Oct. 8, 1998, and it raised more than \$900.

Educating students, faculty and staff about the signs of depression have become a top priority for the Reulings, and each year, the volleyball challenge allows that to happen.

For more information about the event, contact Joe Long at 756-5845 or Bob Negranti at 756-5428.

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National Roundup

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. — A convicted bank robber was charged with murder Monday in the deaths of two of the five people whose bodies have been found buried in his back yard. A second man was also charged.

Ex-con Hugo Selenski, 30, and the other man, Patrick Russin, 33, were charged with killing the two men during an attempted robbery and burning their bodies, prosecutors said.

Prosecutors identified the victims as Frank James, 29, and Adeiye Keiler, 22. They were shot to death in May and their bodies were burned in a pit in Selenski's back yard, prosecutors said.

CARSON CITY, Nev. — An annual nationwide fund-raising event for breast cancer research got a boost from Nevada prison inmates.

About 1,000 inmates at six northern Nevada prisons took part Sunday in the Race for the Cure, raising more than \$15,000 to help fund the cancer research.

Organizers said Nevada is the only state that has involved male inmates in the event.

NEW YORK — Television's guiltiest pleasure, "Newlyweds: Nick & Jessica," is coming back for a second season.

MTV announced Monday that it has renewed the reality series, which follows pop singers Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson as they muddle through married life.

MENDOZA, Texas — Five teenagers were killed in a collision with an oncoming pickup truck after one of the teens swerved to avoid an ice chest on the road.

A sixth teen and the driver of the pickup were also hurt in the accident Saturday, about 20 miles south of Austin.

The six teens were traveling on U.S. 183 on their way to a festival when the cooler fell from a boat trailer ahead of them. David Anthony Galindo, 19, crossed the center lane to avoid it and struck the pickup on the side, Department of Public Safety spokesman Tom Vinger said.

KALISPELL, Mont. — A female grizzly bear charged, knocked down and bit a bowhunter that came between the bear and her cub, state officials reported.

The man, whose name was not immediately released, was flown to Kalispell Regional Medical Center. His condition was not available.

DENVER — Kobe Bryant's attorneys cannot have access to notes taken by a rape crisis center worker during an interview with the NBA star's accuser, at least until a higher court considers the matter, a judge ruled Monday.

Judge Frederick Gannett said their request for notes from any interviews with the woman cannot be answered until after a hearing on the matter in state district court.

— Associated Press

World Roundup

GROZNY, Russia — Chechnya's Kremlin-appointed leader was officially declared the winner Monday in a presidential election, a widely expected outcome after his main challengers withdrew or were removed from balloting condemned by critics as a sham but promoted by Moscow as a step toward peace.

With more than 77 percent of the votes counted, acting President Akhmad Kadyrov had 81.1 percent, regional election commission chairman Abdul-Kerim Arsakhanov told reporters in Grozny, the regional capital. He said 85 percent of the 561,000 eligible voters cast ballots.

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq awarded mobile telephone contracts to three Middle Eastern companies, the communications minister said Monday, with wireless phone service expected to begin within weeks for a country that for the most part never has had it.

"This is an important day for Iraq," said Communications Minister Haider Jawad al-Aubadi. "Iraq badly needs the mobile system to enhance the security of the country."

KABUL, Afghanistan — Disgruntled factions within Afghanistan's coalition government have held a series of meetings to consider withdrawing their support for President Hamid Karzai in the run-up to elections next year, officials said Monday.

The instability comes as this war-ravaged country's various ethnic and political groups try to agree on a new constitution that will lay the foundation for the first democratic elections in decades, scheduled for June.

ANKARA, Turkey — Turkey's government voted Monday to ask Parliament to send soldiers to Iraq, a move that could ease the burden of U.S. operations there and help mend frayed relations with Washington. If Parliament agrees, Turkey would become the first predominantly Muslim nation to contribute troops to the U.S.-led coalition. But many lawmakers reject the idea of sending troops after the ouster of Saddam Hussein — particularly when they opposed the war that ousted him.

UNITED NATIONS — Syria demanded that the U.N. Security Council condemn Israel's airstrike against a purported terrorist training camp near Damascus, but the United States said it would not support any resolution that does not also criticize attacks against Israel.

At an emergency meeting called at Syria's request Sunday, most council diplomats spoke out against both the airstrike and the suicide bombing in the Israeli port city of Haifa that killed 19 people and prompted Israel's retaliation.

However, U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte focused his condemnation on the Haifa attack, while blaming Syria for harboring terrorists.

— Associated Press

College Roundup

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The National Science Foundation recently announced a \$12 million grant for a project in which 13 institutions — including Florida State University — will participate. The project will aim to develop and test new methods for estimating evolutionary trees — or phylogenies.

The project, spearheaded by Bernard Moret of the University of New Mexico, will attempt to devise, design and implement a prototype of the computational infrastructure, such as software, databases and hardware, that will be required to construct a "family tree" for the estimated 10 million plus species on Earth.

The relationships in the Tree of Life can be determined by comparing DNA sequences. The relative similarities between DNA sequences among different organisms allow scientists to predict the relationships of these organisms to their common ancestors. The end result is a map — much like a family tree.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — University of Virginia police and local law enforcement officials announced Friday the indictment of 33 people — including former and current university students and employees — for alleged involvement with the illegal sale of narcotics. A total of 15 of the suspects had been arrested in Charlottesville, Va., as of 2:00 p.m. Friday.

Over the course of the investigation, Jefferson Area Drug Enforcement Task Force seized drugs including marijuana, cocaine, opium, ecstasy and Psilocybin Mushrooms with an estimated street value of at least \$20,000.

— University Wire

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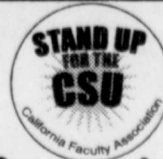
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Political Information Luncheon For Faculty & Staff

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Date: October 9
Time: 11:00am-1:00 pm

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San Luis Obispo Chapter
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We're Watching You

A journey to the doldrums of human existence: the seedy undertakings of a **Parking Lot STALKER**

By Meghan Reerslev

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

I am the person you dread, the one you have spine-chilling nightmares about, the one who you avoid at all costs. Men cuss and women cower at the slight mention of my name. I am (dramatic pause) the parking lot stalker.

At least I was Thursday.

That's right, Thursday morning I swallowed my pride and became the person I swore I would never be. I, Meghan Reerslev, followed innocent men and women in quest of a prime parking spot.

I'm not proud of these acts, but the job had to be done. Someone needed to step up and find what every Cal Poly student is dying to know: where have all the parking spaces gone?

Turns out they are right where they have always been. No lying: With a little work, and a lot of patience, I was able to snag half a dozen parking spaces. Sit back and read the following journal of events, and maybe no other Cal Poly student will have to stoop to parking lot stalking.

I'm still looking for a spot. I see a girl enter the lot and decide that I have to stoop to the unthinkable — I'm going to ask her if she needs a ride to her car (the thought of it still makes me shudder).

9:26 a.m.:

I roll into the library parking lot. Not quite confident about my deviant acts, I bring my boyfriend along for the ride. You know, safety in numbers. Surprisingly, I immediately spot an open space. I always assumed this lot filled up first, and I

find myself regretting my numerous hikes from the H-14 lot.

9:28 a.m.:

By the time I get to the open spot, it's not open any more. I round another corner to look for a different space, and I notice several people getting out of their cars. Scratch my last thought about the library lot being open. Looks like I'll be circling the lot after all.

9:33 a.m.:

A minivan almost hits me. People need to learn how to drive on their own side of the lanes.

9:47 a.m.:

I'm getting tired of putting around the parking lot. Just as I'm about to lose hope, I see a student walking through the lot, so I start to follow him. After wasting several minutes following him to his "car," he leaves the lot. Looks like he was cutting through as a shortcut to his class. I swear to myself that I will never do that again; he got my hopes up and then popped them, leaving me to deal with my self-pity alone. Actually, I'm not alone, since my boyfriend is still with me, but he's leaving for class soon. Jerk.

9:50 a.m.:

Boyfriend leaves. Did I mention that he's a jerk for leaving me? Jerk.

10:00 a.m.:

I score another spot by following a student to his truck. As he stops to load his backpack into the truck, he glares at me. Ouch. As I pull into his spot, I can still see the look on his face. I feel dirty, like I committed a horrendous crime and belong in prison.

10:10 a.m.:

After taking a short break to

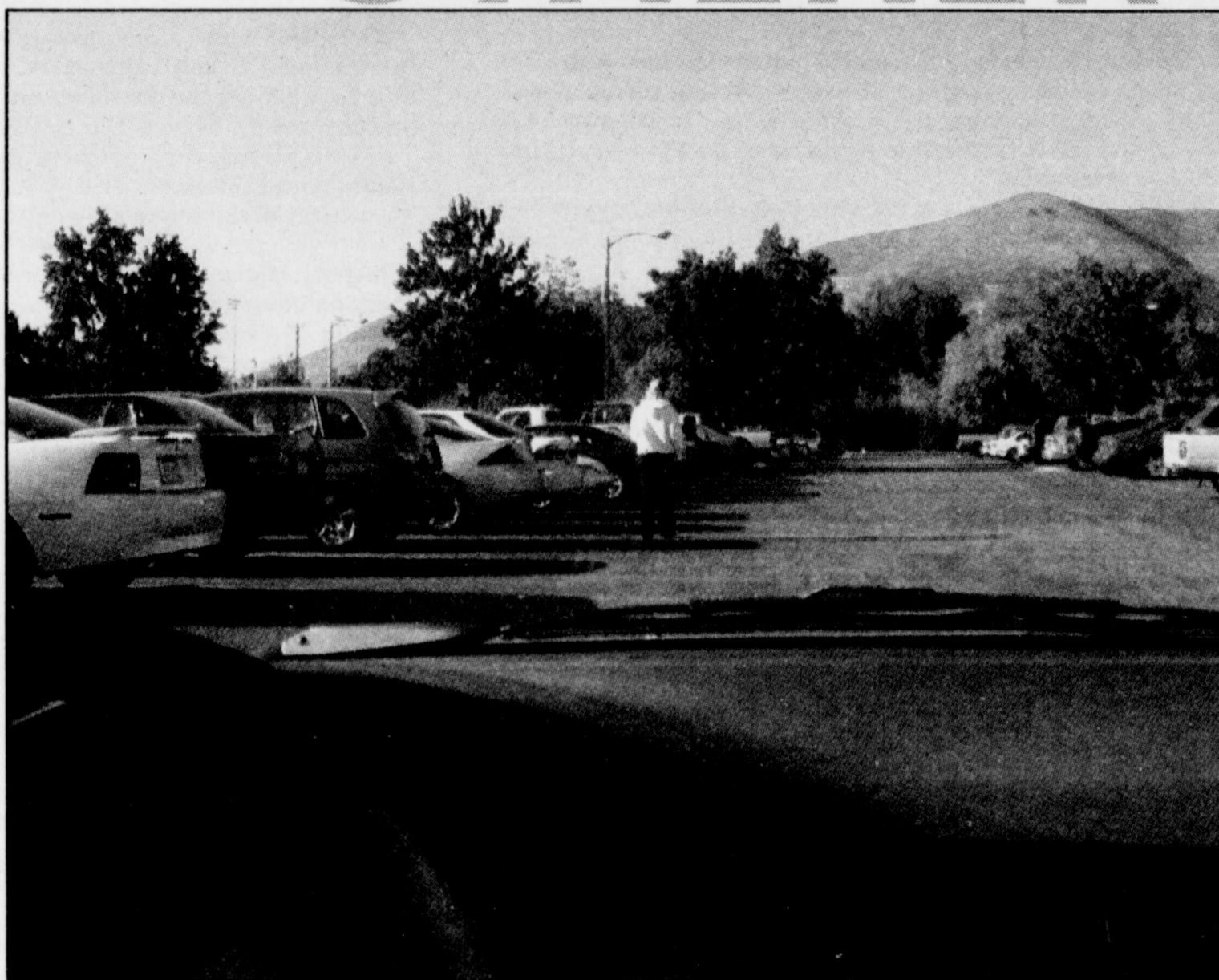


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Statistics freshman Barbara Marlin is followed to her car by a notorious parking lot stalker. Like many people who are trailed in the various lots on campus, Marlin is a bit uneasy at the idea of someone that dedicated to getting a spot. "It can be really freaky when I am walking at night and I hear a car following me," she said.

stretch, I'm back on the prowl. I pass by a white Acura that has been circling the lot for at least 20 minutes. He was parked in the middle of a lane the last time I saw him. Apparently this strategy didn't work for him. I take a mental note of this and continue with my quest.

10:15 a.m.:

I think people are beginning to recognize my car. To fight suspicions, I decide that I need a change of

scenery, so I switch lots.

10:45 a.m.:

I'm back at the library parking lot. I found it pretty easy to find parking spots in the H-12, H-16 and G-1 parking lots. I'm beginning to wonder why everyone, including myself, always complains about parking. I soon realize why. I circle for what seems like hours (15 minutes) before spotting people walking to their cars. I find a guy to focus on, and eagerly drive toward him. Then I spot it. Driving from the opposite direction is a blue Honda, it looks like the driver plans to snag the same spot. There's no way that I'm backing down.

Sweat rolls down my face as I grip the steering wheel. The guy finds his car and backs out of the parking spot. As I hesitate for a fraction of a second, the blue car moves toward my spot (that's right, mine) and pulls in. I want to scream. It's going to be hard not to key that punk's car when I finally find a space to park.

11:15 a.m.:

I'm still looking for a spot. I see a young woman enter the lot and decide that I have to stoop to the unthinkable — I'm going to ask her if she needs a ride to her car (the thought of it still makes me shudder).

I lean out my window, open my mouth, hear the words "Do you want a ride?" fly out and immediately feel sick. I can't believe I just offered a stranger a ride, and by the look on her face, she can't believe it either. She adjusts her backpack, gives me the dirtiest look imaginable, and starts walking so fast that it looks like she's jogging. Boy is my face red.

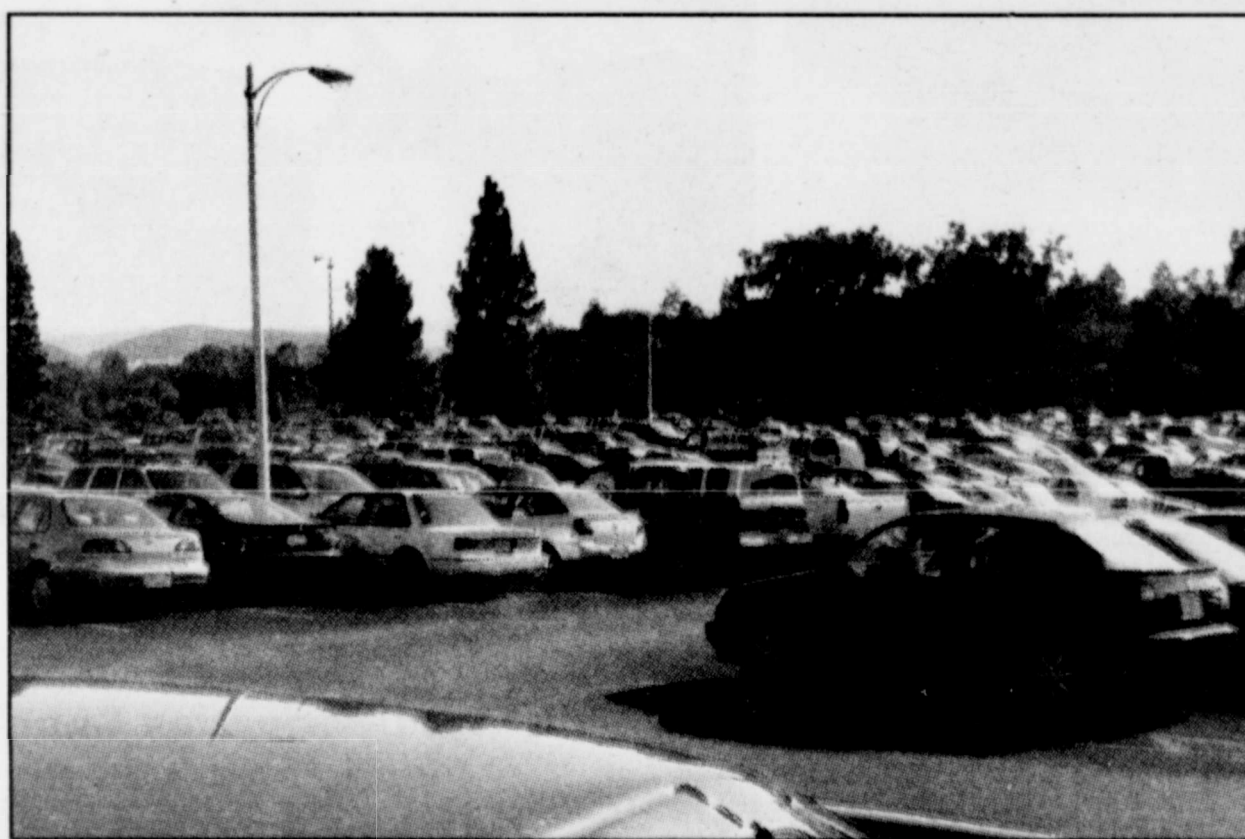
11:20 a.m.:

I'm desperate, hungry and feeling the effects of the water bottle I have been drinking from. If I don't find a parking space soon (and I mean soon), heaven help the people around me. Then, out of nowhere, an angel in disguise approaches me. Crouching down, he asks if I'm looking for a parking spot and points me to the direction of his car. Hallelujah! Black shirt, silver Civic boy, you're my hero!

11:30 a.m.:

My car is parked, and I've circled the library lot enough times that I could do it with my eyes closed. Aside from the dirty looks and Mr. Blue Honda (please note that I restrained from vandalizing his car), the experience wasn't nearly as bad as it could have been — I could have run out of gas.

It is full parking lots like the one shown here (near the Performing Arts Center) that fuel the ire of stalkers and provide students with yet another reason to be late for class.

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We're not really a scandalous newspaper. We just play one on TV.

Fixated?

Popular piercings pose considerable risks

► Lip, tongue rings can be linked to serious health conditions, professionals say

By Aimee Noel

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN (KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY)

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Lip and tongue piercings often evoke thoughts of painful procedures, but the initial pain might not be the last.

Lip and tongue piercings have been connected to gum recession and tooth loss, said Ken Lyle, general practitioner of dentistry in Manhattan.

Lyle said his practice typically sees fractured teeth from tongue ring barbells, which can also destroy gum tissue. This leads to tooth loss and can be expensive to have fixed.

In one extremely rare case, a man actually had a stroke, later determined to have been caused by bacteria from his tongue ring, Lyle said.

He said people thinking about getting their tongue or lip pierced should reconsider.

"The potential damages to blood vessels and nerves in the tongue aren't worth it," Lyle said.

He strongly advises that those interested in such piercings go to a practice that sterilizes before and

after the procedure, just as if they were going into major surgery.

Danielle Admire, a business sophomore at Kansas State who's had her tongue pierced, hasn't had any trouble in the year and a half she's had the piercing.

She said to make sure it's clean, especially at first, or you may have a problem with infection. Infection could also arise if you drink beer within weeks of being pierced, Admire said.

"I've heard it can chip enamel off if you mess with the barbell too much, but I've never had any trouble with it," Admire said.

Admire said her dentist advised her to wear a plastic barbell, but said as short as it is, her metal one causes no problems.

"A person in my high school split their tongue, but I've never heard of anyone else having trouble," she said.

John Fitzgerald, a piercer at Stray Cat Tattoo, agrees that lip and tongue rings are hard on oral health, but said damage can be prevented.

Tongue rings can wear away tissue on the tongue and crack teeth,

Fitzgerald said. There are risks with every piercing, and you must get the proper jewelry after the swelling recedes.

"Damage can be avoided, if you're careful and get the smaller jewelry after the piercing has healed," he said.

A new piece of jewelry is definitely cheaper than a new tooth, Fitzgerald said.

The

American Dental Association's monthly journal has the following information about the dangers of tongue and lip rings, according to their Web site www.ada.org.

"Wearing oral piercing ornaments, even over relatively short periods, may result in significant deformities to gingival tissue (gums) that might not respond satisfactorily to surgery and may lead to tooth loss."

and, in fact, may lead to tooth loss.

"Because severe attachment loss can develop even when gingival recession is minimal, it is critical that patients with oral piercing routinely undergo a comprehensive periodontal assessment."

Despite the possible negative consequences, Fitzgerald said the dangers can be avoided by realizing them and taking precautions.

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"Be careful, don't be an idiot and listen to your jeweler," he said. "You should know your body. Come back and ask questions, even silly ones. You can avoid damage if you're smart about it."

Tunes

Satellite radio becoming a trend for college students, travelers

By Kelli Girdner

IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

AMES, Iowa — You're driving home and your favorite song, "In Da Club," has just come on the radio. You're tapping your feet to the beat when, suddenly, all you hear is static before the station changes to "Dueling Banjos."

Annoyances like these are causing more and more college students to switch to satellite radio. XM Radio, one of the major satellite radio companies, recently announced its one millionth customer. Sirius, though slightly newer to the scene, is not far behind, says Ron Rodrigues, senior director of public relations for Sirius.

Lynuel Lee, an Iowa State University genetics sophomore, plans to subscribe in the near future because of the availability of different kinds of music.

"With satellite radio, you can listen to whatever you want to," Lee said. "I plan on listening to a wide variety, but a lot of rap and hip-hop."

Chance Patterson, media relations spokesperson for XM Radio, said another reason is the low cost for many options.

"It's generally a low-cost way to get all the music and news and comedy and sports info that (students) want wherever they go," Patterson said.

Rodrigues says this is a major draw of satellite radio. "(Sirius plays) 25 percent more music than your average radio station," Rodrigues said. "(It offers) a lot of genres of music that simply aren't on the radio."

Satellite radio can be installed in a car or home and allows listeners to receive music via signals from orbiting satellites. This makes it possible to listen to the

same radio station all the way across the country, unlike FM or AM radio.

Lee said this is another reason he plans to buy a satellite radio, as it appeals to his love of traveling.

"I'm down for road trips a lot. I think it will . . . help all the tension while driving," he says. "If there's good music on, it'll be a lot easier drive."

Companies usually have about 100 channels, most of them being music channels ranging from punk to jazz to children's music.

"We have many more stations that are more musically adventurous," Rodrigues said. "(Sirius radio) has a vastly larger amount of music choices available."

Frankly, you have perhaps a dozen, at the most, (AM and FM) radio stations that are available to you."

Startup costs are approximately \$300 for people who already own a system compatible with the equipment, or \$400 when people have no equipment. A monthly

subscription fee — \$9 for XM, \$13 for Sirius — also applies.

Both XM and Sirius have worked during the last couple of years to improve the strength of their signals, adding many ground-based repeaters. Both companies have also added five-second buffers, which prevent breaks in the music during low signal strength.

"We have a 99 percent-plus coverage of the geographic footprint of the United States," Patterson says. "The signal is much better than your cell phone."

Lee says it is helpful to be able to listen to music not readily available in the area.

"I need the rap music if I'm in Ames," Lee said. "There's nothing in Ames, Iowa. It's just a bunch of static and country music."

"With satellite radio, you can listen to whatever you want to. I plan on listening to a wide variety, but a lot of rap and hip-hop."

Lynuel Lee
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Arnold can change Republican image

You know I rarely say this but, "What the hell is wrong with you Republicans?" Don't get me wrong, I haven't changed. I'm still the same gun-loving, meat-eating, French-hating Republican you have all grown to love (or hate, either works for me). But in order to understand me you have to know one thing. More than I love the Republican platform, I hate the Democratic platform. And 15 percent of you out there want to keep the Democrats in power by voting for McClintock.

Look, I like most of Tom McClintock's politics. I really do. In fact, if I had three wishes the third wish would be that McClintock would become governor. Granted, it would be a distant

third followed behind Elizabeth Hurley in a Z06 Vett and the French finally admit that the real reason they didn't fight Saddam with us was because they were all scared of camels, but it would be the third wish, nonetheless.

However, much to my chagrin I don't have three wishes, and McClintock has the same chance of becoming governor that I have of getting Ms. Hurley in a Corvette. Republicans are therefore going to have to ask themselves: What is more important to me, voting with my conscience for a true conservative, or winning?

My response to that question is, wouldn't you rather have someone in Sacramento that would represent most of your values, or are you so blinded by those same values that you would take a real chance at having none of your values represented?



Polytics

I'm aware that as I write this it looks like Arnold has this election wrapped up; therefore, you might feel free to vote for McClintock just to send a message that there are lots of "true conservatives" out there. But we can't get too cocky because we have all seen the media's blitz attack on Arnold over the past week. The Los Angeles Times reported Arnold committed sexual harassment on movie sets in the 1970s, but refused to print allegations that Davis committed physical battery on several members of his female staff in the 1990s. The media isn't going to let up.

The media will never let Arnold win because he can do something no other person could hope to do for the Republican Party in California: save it. By far the largest problem Republicans have in this state is their image. Democrats are seen as feeding the poor and sheltering battered women while Republicans are seen as Jabba-the-hut-like creatures that are just big, fat, ugly men sitting on their piles of money while their servant girl has to dance for them right before they make her go pick their vegetables and mow their lawn. I wish I was joking, but that is how a lot of people see Republicans due to Democratic spin masters. I can't really blame Democrats for doing that; it's politics, and since California Republicans seem to be inept when it comes to fighting that perspective, maybe we deserve to get slapped around a bit. It might cause us to wake up. If Republicans want to make significant changes in California, they're going to have to win back the Assembly and the Senate. The governor's mansion is a great start, but it might be futile if the Democrats get just a few more seats and get a two-thirds majority in the legislature.

In order to do that Republicans are going to have to change their image. Arnold can help us with this. Unfortunately, McClintock can't.

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Point / Counterpoint

Proposition 54 aims to make Calif. 'colorblind'

Just think how rewarding it will be to never have to check another little box that generalizes personal demographics again. Never to be left wondering if the color of your skin is the only reason you were denied a job or place in one of the top schools in the nation.

If Proposition 54 passes today, America will then be well on its way toward a colorblind society, unclassified by race, just as it is unclassified by gender, sexual orientation or religion. This means that all preferential treatment based on race will be terminated. Furthermore, a 17th century racial classification system that has no bearing on issues related to our 21st century society will be scrapped.

The proposition, labeled the "Racial Privacy Initiative," states that the state shall not classify any individual by race, ethnicity, color or national origin in the operation of public education, public contracting or public employment. There will be virtually no fiscal repercussions from this proposition.

California would probably benefit the most of any state from treating its populace equally because it is the most ethnically diverse state in the nation. According to the latest U.S. Census, Americans were divided into more than 120 different ethnic or racial groups. Since these groups can only grow as time goes on, what could possibly be the benefit of classifying every individual into different and specific factions?

Commentary

There actually is no point at all in categorizing the populace because the state Constitution forbids government agencies from discriminating against or giving favorable attention to any person based on race or ethnicity. California government shouldn't even have the right to ask us for this data because they can't possibly have a legitimate use for it.

Supporters of this initiative say racial classification is an invasion of privacy and that the government should be working to unite people through common interests and values instead of dividing them by emphasizing minor cultural differences. I agree with these statements because this is the first step in really overcoming racial barriers.

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If we continue to tell people they are different and classify them based on these differences most will never look for the similarities and the larger ways we relate through common humanity. There are also exceptions to this proposition. According to the League of Women Voters Web site, the use of race-related information will comply with federal law and allow law enforcement agencies to describe individuals, place prisoners, assign undercover officers and collect and use information related to medical research subjects

and patients.

Opponents say that by understanding our differences we will be able to deal with them in a more positive way. I disagree. By coming together and embracing our connections we are still able to hold on to our individuality and at the same time accept others differences without classifying them as wholly different people.

One hundred years from now it will be practically impossible to classify citizens by race because the population will become more and more mixed. California will not become a colorblind society overnight, but this is a step that is imperative to create a more tolerant and non-discriminatory society in the future.

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I saw the world through a new set of eyes this morning, and it was amazing! There was a crack whore offering her body in exchange for drugs, but I denied seeing her to myself and she suddenly disappeared. There were homeless people asking me for change, but they weren't really there, as long as I ignored them. I sidestepped past the gay couple who didn't actually exist once I refused to acknowledge them. It was a brave new world where my privacy and theirs was protected, and I have Proposition 54 to thank for it.

Let's be serious for a second here. What does this proposition really have to do with protecting privacy? Don't answer that. Let me explain the facts to you a little better.

Proponents of Proposition 54 claim that the initiative's passage will "signal America's first step toward a colorblind society." What they really mean to say is, "out of sight, out of mind," and this is exactly what will happen if the people pass the so-called "Racial Privacy Initiative."

Without the information this initiative would block, we would never have known that white women run a higher risk of getting breast cancer, that Asians are more likely to contract hepatitis B or that more African-Americans get sickle-cell anemia than any other racial group. More importantly, without knowing these statistics, we would not be able to focus the fight in the areas it would be most needed.

That's akin to a blind person playing quarterback. Not to take anything away from blind football players, but the fact is, they would never see their receivers, nor would they be able to assess the other team's on-field threat matrix. That's a silly, TV-contrived phrase, but it serves its purpose.

The information that Proposition 54 aims to block is the very information we need to assess and best deal with potential health threats to our community as a whole. The way to do so is to examine each racial, ethnic or whatever-you-want-to-classify-them-as group individually.

Proposition 54 would also make it impossible for victims of discrimination to prove their case. Without any record of racial disparity even existing, how can there be a problem?

And what about raising state standards in our schools? Fuggehtaboutit! This initiative, if passed, would make it illegal to track which ethnic and racial groups were doing poorly in school, thereby outlawing finding a solution to those problems. Let's whitewash the whole damned lot, shall we? This way we can sleep better at night knowing everything's hunky dory.

Wake up and smell the coffee! Wherever hunky dory is, it's so far away from here that we couldn't reach it with a 10-foot pole strapped to an ICBM. Proposition 54 simply provides a blind spot to our conscience. It takes a state with glaring racial disparities and magically turns it into a pretty little rose garden.

Well I got news for you people, and Andre3000 from Outkast said it best: "If you get close enough, you'll realize that roses really smell like boo-boo."

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"I don't know about vaginal screaming."

Post-recall Governor faces daunting task

By Martha Mendoza
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SANTA CRUZ — Whoever emerges as governor of California will have a tough time fulfilling campaign promises. The state faces an \$8 billion deficit, persistent unemployment, struggling schools, and, as Gov. Gray Davis knows all too well, angry and mobilized voters. "I guess it's fun during the cam-

paign, but it's going to be a grind once they get in there. It's a miserable job that everyone wants," said Bob Stern, who heads the nonpartisan Center for Governmental Studies in Santa Monica.

The state has been hit hard by the down-turn in the economy and the burst of the high-tech bubble in particular. A total of 223,900 jobs were lost from 2001 to 2003, causing a precipitous drop in personal income

tax and sales tax revenue — the main sources of income for California's \$71 billion budget.

The result has been cutbacks and higher fees for such things as health care and education. Teachers are being laid off, classrooms are overflowing and clinics for the poor are closing.

Any budgetary solutions to these problems will need two-thirds approval from a state legislature that

is more polarized than ever after the wrenching recall campaign.

Moreover, there is only so much room in the budget for creative problem-solving, since a series of voter-approved "lockboxes" mandate how money must be spent in certain areas, and the 1978 tax revolt known as Proposition 13 limits property tax increases to 2 percent a year.

"The overarching problem is structural, and that's a really tough

challenge that won't be fixed by anyone who sits in the governor's office," said Jean Ross, executive director of the California Budget Project in Sacramento. "At some point we're going to have to reform the way in which we craft budgets in this state, and that's going to be painful."

The leading contenders for the job face their own unique challenges as well.

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Women's soccer continues Big West winning ways

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The No. 23 Cal Poly women's soccer team went to 11-1 overall, 2-0 in Big West

► The Mustangs are 11-1 overall this season

► They have knocked off LBSU and UCI in the conference

► Kelsey Carroll, the team leader in points, scored both Cal Poly points

► Goalie Greta Shirdon got her first career assist Sunday

► The Mustangs lowered their goals against average to .417 per game

forward Kelsey Carroll picked up the bouncing ball and scored to give the Mustangs a 1-0 lead. Shirdon was

credited for her first ever collegiate assist.

Just two minutes later, Carroll found the goal again as she stole a pass off a clearance from the 49ers defense, dribbled the ball to about 18 yards out and cranked a shot that beat 49ers goalkeeper Tara Gotthardt to find the net for the second time in the game.

Carroll now has six goals and four assists for 16 points to lead the Mustangs' offense. Those scores vaulted her into a tie for the conference lead in goals; she is also third in points per game.

She has one other game-winning goal for the Mustangs. That came on Sept. 5 at Washington State when Cal Poly defeated the Cougars 1-0.

Shirdon, in goal for the Mustangs, records her fourth shutout in five starts. She had four saves on 14 shots from Long Beach State. Her record is now 5-0.

The Mustangs return to action next weekend as they host a pair of Big West matches starting Friday when they face UC Riverside at 7 p.m. at Mustang Stadium. On Sunday they will host Cal State Fullerton at 1 p.m. at Mustang Stadium.



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The Cal Poly women's soccer team stands atop the Big West

Schlick talks volleyball

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly volleyball team got off to a strong start this season, but has faltered in conference play. The Mustangs have been swept in their last two Big West contests, having fallen to Cal St. Northridge on Thursday and Pacific on Saturday.

Volleyball coach Steve Schlick discussed why the team's fortunes have turned and what lies ahead.

Mustang Daily: What does a week-end like this do to your overall plans?

Steve Schlick: The initial conference start is not how we would design it, but at the same time, we knew that there was incredible parity here, incredible parity and anything can happen.

Given that statement, I still feel like the same thing applies down the road: Anything can happen. So at times, I feel we played well. We just need to do it on a consistent basis.

MD: What loss is more surprising, Northridge or Pacific?

SS: I think both (teams) are very solid. Northridge has a player who's new this year that's truly a franchise-type

player, who transferred in, was a former player at Pepperdine. She changes all the parameters in the match. That's proven by the fact that they beat Santa Barbara on Saturday.

Pacific is in the same type of scenario. They have a 6-foot, 3-inch middle that can impact the match in ways that not every team has the ability to do...

I actually think we matched up well. They played better than us. They deserve the wins.

MD: How do you feel your young players are progressing?

SS: I think they get better every day. We have a number of them. My two freshmen are young in their level of experience. We have a junior and two sophomores presently playing in the middle. We have a sophomore and junior on the outside, so we have a lot of underclassmen that are participating in major ways.

MD: Has the play of Vanessa Gilliam been a pleasant surprise?

SS: Not a surprise. We had high expectations of her when she walked in the door. We knew of her even when she was in high school and playing club.

We know that the caliber of athlete she is and what her goals are, so we've been pleased with what her performance levels have been and have every expectation that they'll continue.

MD: What's going to need to be done to get some wins on the board for Big West? What strides need to be made?

SS: We've got to have greater productivity offensively... We've got to continue to serve very aggressively and try to advantage ourselves in that capacity. We got to control our dig-able situations more. We still have more opportunities to dig... It boils down to consistency of play.

MD: Do you feel coming off of a tough weekend like this that you're going to see better play (from Cal Poly) this coming weekend?

SS: I think our players are absolutely going to be ready to compete on Friday and Saturday, no question. These again are two teams we feel we match up with pretty well. They're two very good teams. Idaho beat Irvine on Thursday, I think it was and (Irvine) was undefeated in conference up to that point.

'Stangs earn honors

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Cal Poly linebacker Jordan Beck and punter Gilbert Rocha were named I-AA Independent Players of the Week for this week.

This is the second time this season the players have earned the honor.

Beck, a 6-foot, 2-inch, 215-pound linebacker from Mount Hermon, Calif., came into Saturday's game against No. 8-ranked Montana as the nation's No. 5 tackler with a 12.5 average. Beck earned the Defensive Player of the Week honors after shattering Cal Poly's school record with 23 tackles against the Grizzlies. He had 10 solo stops and 13 assisted tackles. Beck also was credited with one sack, another assisted tackle for lost yardage and a pass breakup, nearly intercepting a Montana pass in the second quarter.

Rocha, a 5-foot, 11-inch, 235-pound punter from Stockton, Calif., earned his second Special Teams Player of the Week award. Rocha was a busy punter in Cal Poly's 17-14 loss to No. 8 Montana on Saturday, matching a career-high with nine punts and averaging 38.7 yards. Six of Rocha's punts ended up inside the Montana 20-yard line. Montana's average field position for the game starting drives was its own 19-yard line.

Football falls again in national rankings

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

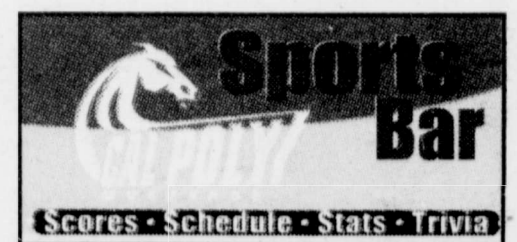
The Cal Poly Mustangs (3-2) are No. 23 in the ESPN/USA Today poll and No. 24 in The Sports Network/CSTV poll. They lost to Montana 17-14 Saturday.

Montana (4-1) moved up two notches to No. 6 in both polls.

Coach Rich Ellerson's Mustangs had jumped to a 3-0 start before falling to Northern Arizona 24-7 in the Walkup Skydome at Flagstaff, Ariz., on Sept. 27. Cal Poly was not ranked in the preseason poll, but jumped to 25th in both polls after its 34-13 season-opening win over Division I-A Texas-El Paso on Sept. 6. The Mustangs were ranked 21st

in both polls after defeating Sacramento State 31-17 in its home opener Sept. 13. Cal Poly was 14th in one poll and 15th in the other following its 24-21 win over Montana State on Sept. 20.

Cal Poly visits Division I-A Akron (3-3) on Saturday for a 3 p.m. PDT kickoff in the Rubber Bowl at Akron, Ohio.



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#23 W Soccer @ Long Beach St.
Kelsey Carroll (F) — 2 goals

#20 Football @ #8 Montana
Jordan Beck (LB) — 23 tackles (school record)

Volleyball @ #23 Pacific
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#20 Football VS. St. Mary's
sat., oct. 18, 7 p.m.

Stats

By the numbers

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The Cal Poly women's soccer team is ranked fourth in the country with a .70 shutout percentage. The team is also tied for fifth in the country in win-loss percentage (.917) and tied for eighth in the nation in goals against average (.40). Goalies Greta Shirdon and Liz Hill are equally responsible for the statistics, having split time in the net.

Tuesday's question

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Monday's Question

When was the last time a pinch hitter hit a walk-off home run in the MLB playoffs before this year?
Kirk Gibson, 1988

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